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- 11. (S) We delivered reftel's talking points on the need for a SCUDS inventory and a proposed timeline for a USG assessment team visit June 22 to MFA Arms Control and Military Technical Cooperation Counselor Serhiy Kucherenko. Kucherenko noted the topic had been raised in a recent meeting between Ukrainian Ambassador to the U.S. Oleh Shamshur and USG officials. For this reason, MFA had included the topic on its draft agenda proposal for the July 11-12 bilateral nonproliferation working group meeting to be held in Kiev (septel). He said Ukrainian Ministry of Defense officials, who are responsible for preparing the inventory, would provide an update during the meeting.
- 12. (U) Visit Embassy Kiev's classified website: www.state.sgov.gov/p/eur/kiev. Gwaltney